



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

SUMMER LEARNING DAY

2017

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Summer Learning Day recognizes the importance of keeping youth learning, safe, and healthy every summer, ensuring they return to school in the fall ready to succeed in the year ahead; and

WHEREAS, summer learning loss is a significant contributor to the achievement gap — a gap which remains constant during the nine months of the school year, but widens during the summer months; and

WHEREAS, summer learning programs are proven to maintain and advance students' academic and social growth, keep children safe and healthy during the summer, and send young people back to school ready to learn; additionally, summer youth employment programs engage older youth in meaningful activities that allow them to explore careers of interest, take on new responsibilities, contribute to their community, and earn money for the future; and

WHEREAS, a wide array of public agencies, community-based organizations, schools, libraries, museums, recreation centers, camps, and businesses in our community contribute to the well-being of youth through summer programming; and

WHEREAS, summer learning is a critical component of our collective effort to ensure all students graduate from high school prepared for college, careers, and life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 13, 2017, as "SUMMER LEARNING DAY" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.




Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this fifth day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-first.